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26-Apr-12

Preliminary Report of Accident

U.S. Department of Labor
Mine Safety and Health Administration



1. Accident Type: Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification Slip or Fall of Person		3. Date/Time of Accident 04/25/2012 09:15 AM		4. Date/Time of Death 04/25/2012 09:15 AM		5. Fatal Case No 7		
6. Mine Information :										
a) Mining Company Name McCoy Elkhorn Coal Corp.			b) Mine Name KC #1			c) Parent of Mining Company James River Coal Company				
7. Mine Location :		a) City Mousie		b) County Knott		c) State KY		8. Mine ID Number: 15-18747		9. Union: NO
10. Primary Mineral Mined: BITUMINOUS			11. Number of Mine Employees:		a) Total 5		b) Underground 0		c) Open Pit/Quarry 0	
12. Contractor Name: T&B Transport						13. Union NO		14. Contractor ID Number: A242		
15. Contractor Address:		a) City Prestonsburg		b) County Floyd		c) State KY		d) Zip Code 41653		
16. Number of Contractor Employees:			a) Total 5		b) Underground 0		c) Open Pit/Quarry 0		d) Mill/Prep Plant 0	
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident:			a) Mine Employees: 5		b) Contractor Employees: 0		c) Mine Employees: 0		d) Contractor Employees: 0	
19) Location of Accident								20. Mining Height:		
<input type="checkbox"/> 01-Underground		<input type="checkbox"/> 03-Open Pit		<input type="checkbox"/> 07-Advance Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 30-Mill/Prep Plant		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)		Feet Inches
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 02-Surface at Underground		<input type="checkbox"/> 06-Dredge Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 08-Retreat Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 99-Office Facility				
21. Nonfatal Injuries:			22. Fatal Injuries: 1							
23. Victim Information :		a) Name Delmer Miller		b) Age 61						
c) Regular Job Title: Torchman			d) Activity at Time of Accident: Dismantling stacker conveyor belt			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contractor Employee				
24. Experience :		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days		
a) Total:		20		b) at the mine:		3		c) at activity (23d)		3
25. Autopsy Performed:		If Yes, Location YES Frankfort, Kentucky		26. Mine Telephone No.:		(606) 946-2805				

27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status of rescue and recovery operations):

The victim was in the process of dismantling the conveyor stacker belt from the surface area of an inactive underground coal mine. When the victim completed the final torch cut from the elevated upslope stacker frame support beam that contained the counter-weight, the structure fell contacting the walkway (catwalk) where the victim was located down slope. This section of the walkway (catwalk), approximately 25 feet in length, broke loose from the main structure causing the victim to fall approximately 20 feet to his death.

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.

28. Equipment Manufacturer:				29. Model:				
30. District: C0600 Pikeville		32. Field Office: Hindman KY				33. Event Number: 4202292		
34. Accident Investigator: Steven D. Caudill			35. MSHA Person Notified: Robert M. Bates			Date 04/25/2012		Time 09:43 A
36. Type of Report: Initial		37. Name of Preparer and Date Prepared: John Godsey				Date 04/25/2012		
38. Reason For Amendment:								